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I. Volkskammer: Execution of the resolution of the Central Bloc of 7 July 1950 results in a proportion of 15 percent of the representatives in the Volkskammer for the CDU, or 60 delegates. Of these 60 representatives, the Landesverband (executive committee) Brandenburg, by reason of its number of members, is to receive 8 seats. The Landesverband Brandenburg presents to the Policy Committee the following suggestions:

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For candidature on the Central Lists of the mass organizations, the following are suggested:

1. DFD
2. FDGB
3. FDJ
4. VdGB

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II. Länderkammer: The following percentage key is to be employed in elections to the Länderkammer:

SED	26%	FDJ	4%
CDU	16%	DFD (Deutscher Frauenbund Deutschlands)	4%
LDP	16%	VVN	2%
NDP	8%	KB (Kultur-bund)	2%
DBP	8%		
FDGB	10%		

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VdgB (Vereinigung der gegenseitigen Bauernhilfer - 2%

Genossenschaften (Cooperatives) - 2%

According to these percentages the CDU is to receive 8 seats in the Länderkammer, of which the Landesverband Brandenburg receives 1 place by virtue of its membership. As candidate, the following name is suggested:

1.

III. Landtag: The proportion of seats for the Landtage (state assemblies) in the DDR, which will probably be decided in the next Land Bloc Session, is as follows:

SED - 20%	FDJ - 6%
CDU - 14%	DFD - 7%
LDP - 14%	VVN - 4%
NDP - 7%	KB - 5%
DBP - 7%	VdgB - 3%
FDGB - 10%	Cooperatives - 3%

By reason of the hitherto existing proportional strength of the parties, a limited agreement is reached within the five Landtage which in large measure corresponds to the above percentages. On the basis of this agreement, the seats in the Brandenburg Landtag will probably be divided as follows:

SED - 18	FDJ - 9
CDU - 14	DFD - 9
LDP - 12	VVN - 4
NDP - 6	KB - 5
DBD - 6	VdgB - 3
FDGB - 11	Cooperatives - 3

At the suggestion of the select executive committee (Enge Vorstand), the Land executive committee resolves to present as candidates for the fourteen seats the following names:

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As candidates on the Land lists of the mass organizations, the following are suggested:

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FDJ -

DFD -

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IV. Kreistage (District Assemblies): On the basis of the L nder constitutions, the number of representatives in the districts amounts to:

- Up to 50,000 inhabitants - 30 representatives
- Up to 70,000 inhabitants - 40 representatives
- Up to 100,000 inhabitants - 50 representatives
- Over 100,000 inhabitants - The basic 50 representatives, with one additional for each 20,000 inhabitants over 100,000

The distribution of the mandates follows the same percentage which is valid for the Landtage, whereby in the event one of the organizations fails to make full use of its quota, the free mandates are to be apportioned to the other organizations. On the basis of this principle the following picture results:

	<u>Of 30 representatives</u>	<u>Of 40 representatives</u>
SED	6	8
CDU	4	5
LDP	4	5
NDP	3	4
DBP	3	4
FDGB	3	5
FDJ	2	2
DFD	1	2
VVN	1	1
KB	1	2
VdgB	1	1
Cooperatives	1	1

V. Communities (Gemeinden): The number of delegates in the communities is based, according to the ordinance governing municipalities, on the following population figures:

	Up to	500 inhabitants	9 representatives
From 500	"	1000	12
" 1000	"	5000	16
" 5000	"	10000	20
" 10000	"	25000	30
" 25000	"	50000	40
" 50000	"	100000	50
" 100000	"	200000	60
" 200000	"	300000	70
" 300000	"	500000	80
" 500000	"	750000	90
" 750000	"	and over	100

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The apportionment of mandates to the parties and organizations is to correspond to the percentage relationship in effect for the Landtage. With respect to the smaller communities up to 10,000 inhabitants, only the five main parties are to be considered in the following manner:

	<u>Of 9 Representatives</u>	<u>Of 12 Reps.</u>	<u>Of 16 Reps.</u>	<u>Of 20 Reps.</u>
SED	3	5	6	8
CDU	2	3	3	4
LDP	2	2	3	4
NDP	1	1	2	2
DBP	1	1	2	2

In the selection of candidates, the parties and organizations must give attention to the professional composition of the population. The mass organizations of the central bloc have declared themselves prepared to present on their lists members of all parties to correspond to the percentage allotted to each party. It is apparent that in the mass organizations only party sympathizers can be suggested who have actively worked to further the aims of the organizations. It is recommended that in the presentation of candidates contact be made in due course with the District executive committees of the mass organizations.

Due Date for Lists:

Volkskammer)
Länderkammer) 12 July 1950. Final decisions to be made by the
Landtag) Policy Committee

District Assemblies: Lists of candidates are to be submitted to the Land executive committee by 29 July for confirmation.

Community representation: Lists of candidates are to be handed to the District executive committees by 10 August and are to be collected and confirmed by the District executive committees and passed on to the Land executive committee by 15 August 1950.

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